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Security Council

10 a.m. — 5743rd meeting — Security Council Chamber

1. Adoption of the agenda
2. Non-proliferation

Briefing by the Chairman of the Security Council Committee established pursuant to resolution 1737 (2006)

Morning[1] — Consultations of the whole (closed) — Consultations Room

The situation in the Middle East (Special Tribunal for Lebanon) (S/2007/525)

Other matters

3 p.m. — Consultations of the whole (closed) — Consultations Room

Chad/Central African Republic

Other matters

[1] To be held following the adjournment of the 5743rd meeting.

General Assembly

Sixty-second session

General Committee

10 a.m. — 1st meeting (closed) — Conference Room 4

Organization of work of the sixty-second session of the General Assembly, adoption of the agenda and allocation of items: memorandum of the Secretary-General (A/BUR/62/1)

General Assembly

Sixty-second session

An informal meeting on the status of preparations for the High-level Dialogue on Financing for Development will be held on Thursday, 20 September 2007, at 10 a.m. in Conference Room 3. Letters from the presidency of the General Assembly were sent by facsimile to all Permanent Representatives and Observers on 21 August and 7 September 2007.

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High-level event on climate change convened by the Secretary-General

(24 September 2007)

A high-level event, entitled "The future in our hands: addressing the leadership challenge of climate change", convened by the Secretary-General of the United Nations, will be held on Monday, 24 September 2007, starting at 9 a.m. in the General Assembly Hall. Information on the modalities of the event has been included in A/INF/62/3/Add.1.

The provisional list of speakers (No. 2) for each thematic plenary was sent by facsimile directly to the Permanent Missions (Office of the Permanent Representative) on Friday, 14 September 2007; copies are also available in rooms S-2925 and S-2940B. Please be advised that the list is now closed.

Information on the event, including a Background Note by the Secretary-General, can also be accessed at the following Web site: <www.un.org/climatechange/2007highlevel>.

General Assembly

Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions

10.30 a.m.–1 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room 10

3–6 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room 10

1. Revised estimates to ensure operational preparedness and business continuity in a protracted crisis of a human influenza pandemic
2. Administration of justice
3. Draft reports
4. Executive session

Peacebuilding Commission

Second session

Working Group on Lessons Learned

10 a.m.–1 p.m. . . . . Open meeting . . . . . Conference Room 6

Burundi configuration

3–6 p.m. . . . . 1st meeting . . . . . Conference Room 3

General Assembly
Sixty-second session

Sixth Committee
Informal briefing

The Secretariat will hold an information briefing for Sixth Committee delegates on the Sixth Committee topics on the provisional agenda of the sixty-second session of the General Assembly, *today*, 19 September 2007, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Conference Room 8; and *tomorrow*, 20 September, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Conference Room 7.

For information on the schedule, please visit the Web site of the Sixth Committee (<www.un.org/law/cod/sixth>).

Other meetings

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Wednesday, 19 September 2007

Group of 77 (on the Ministerial Declaration)

10 a.m.–2.30 p.m.	Closed meeting	Conference Room 7

UNITAR briefings for new delegates to the General Assembly: General briefing on the work of the sixty-second session of the General Assembly

10 a.m.–1 p.m.	Closed meeting	Economic and Social Council Chamber
3–6 p.m.	Closed meeting	Economic and Social Council Chamber

Informal consultations on the High-level Meeting on the Tenth Anniversary of Entry into Force of the Chemical Weapons Convention, to be co-hosted by the Netherlands and Poland, on 27 September (organized by the Permanent Missions of Netherlands and Poland)

4–5 p.m.	Closed meeting	Conference Room 9

Other activities

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Wednesday, 19 September 2007

Special screening of the film entitled "Pole to Pole" from the television series "Planet Earth", on the occasion of the high-level event on climate change (24 September 2007) (organized by the Department of Public Information)

At 1 p.m. in the Dag Hammarskjöld Library Auditorium.

[All are invited to attend.]

Briefing by the United Nations Environment Programme (UNEP) on its recent report entitled "Sudan — Post-conflict environmental assessment"

From 3 to 5 p.m. in Conference Room 7.

[All are invited to attend. For further information, please contact Mr. Jim Sniffen, UNEP New York Office (tel. 1 (212) 963-8094; e-mail info@nyo.unep.org).]

Press conferences

The schedule below is tentative; up-to-date information can be obtained at <www.un.org/News/ossg/conf.htm>.

Wednesday, 19 September 2007

Room S-226

11.15 a.m.	Mr. Craig Barrett, Chairman of the Global Alliance for ICT and Development (GAID) and CEO of Intel Corporation; Mr. Hamadoun Touré, Secretary-General of the International Telecommunication Union; Mr. Walter Fust, Director-General of the Swiss Agency for Development and Cooperation; and Mr. Mohsen Khalil, Director of Global ICT at the World Bank Group (on the *Connect Africa* Initiative)
Guests at 12 noon	Mr. Antonio Maria Costa, Executive Director of the United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime (UNODC); and Mr. Kevin Kline, Academy Award-winning actor (on human trafficking and the world premiere of the film "Trade")
1.30 p.m.	Mr. Nicolas Michel, Under-Secretary-General for Legal Affairs (on the Special Tribunal for Lebanon)
3 p.m.	Headquarters Safety and Security Service and Media Accreditation and Liaison Unit (on the upcoming high-level events and the sixty-second session of the General Assembly)

Forthcoming official meetings

General Assembly

Sixty-second session

Main Committees

First Committee

The First Committee will hold its organizational meeting on Thursday, 4 October 2007, at 3 p.m. in Conference Room 4, to consider its tentative programme of work and timetable (A/C.1/62/CRP.1), a copy of which can be obtained in room S-2977; or by sending an e-mail request to cherniavsky@un.org or serrano@un.org.

The Committee will begin its substantive work by holding a general debate on all disarmament and international security agenda items from Monday, 8, to Tuesday, 16 October 2007. The list of speakers for the general debate is open. Delegations wishing to be inscribed are requested to kindly contact Ms. Emer Herity (room S-2977E; tel. 1 (917) 367-5816; e-mail herity@un.org).

Delegations are reminded that the names of representatives, alternate representatives and advisers should be forwarded to Mr. Jarmo Sareva, Secretary of the First Committee (c/o Francine Leong (room S-2977; tel. 1 (212) 963-4389; fax 1 (212) 963-5305; e-mail leong@un.org)).

Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee)

The Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee) will hold its first meeting on Thursday, 4 October 2007, at 10 a.m. in Conference Room 4. The agenda for the meeting will be as follows: Allocation of agenda items; organization of work (A/C.4/62/1, A/C.4/62/L.1 and A/C.4/62/INF/1)[1]; and aide-mémoire on requests for hearing (1/07)[2].

The Committee will begin its consideration of the cluster of decolonization items on Monday, 8 October, at 3 p.m. in Conference Room 4. Delegations wishing to be inscribed on the list of speakers for the general debate relating to all decolonization items are kindly requested to notify Ms. Laurence Niosi (room S-2977JJ; tel. 1 (917) 367-9324; e-mail niosi@un.org).

Delegations are also reminded that the names of their representatives, alternates and advisers to the Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee) are to be submitted to Mr. Saijin Zhang, Secretary of the Committee (room S-2977K; fax 1 (212) 963-5305).

[1] To be issued.

[2] To be distributed at the meeting.

Second Committee

The Second Committee will hold its first meeting on *Thursday, 20 September 2007*, at 10.30 a.m. in Conference Room 4, to consider its proposed organization of work, as contained in document A/C.2/62/L.1.

General debate

The Second Committee will begin its general debate on Monday, 8 October 2007, at 10 a.m. in Conference Room 2. The Under-Secretary-General for Economic and Social Affairs, Mr. Sha Zukang, will address the Committee.

List of speakers

The list of speakers for the general debate and for all other items allocated to the Second Committee is open. Delegations wishing to be inscribed are requested to contact, *in writing*, to the secretariat of the Committee (Ms. Dolores Lois (fax 1 (212) 963-5935; or e-mail lois@un.org)).

Composition of delegations

Delegations are reminded that the names of representatives, alternate representatives and advisers, should be submitted to Ms. Jennifer de Laurentis, Secretary of the Second Committee (room S-2950E; fax 1 (212) 963-5935).

Third Committee

Informal briefing

Pursuant to paragraph 3 (h) of the annex to General Assembly resolution 58/316, the Chairman of the Third Committee for the sixty-second session of the General Assembly, H.E. Mr. Raymond Wolfe (Jamaica), will hold an informal briefing on the Committee's organization of work (A/C.3/62/L.1) on Thursday, 20 September 2007, at 3 p.m. in Conference Room 2.

List of speakers

The list of speakers for the general discussion on all items allocated to the Third Committee will open on Monday, 24 September 2007. The Committee will begin its work on Monday, 8 October, at 10 a.m.

Participants

Delegations that have not submitted the names of their representatives, alternates and advisers are reminded to convey such information to the Secretary of the Third Committee, Mr. Moncef Khane (room S-2950D; fax 1 (212) 963-5935).

Fifth Committee

The Fifth Committee will hold its organizational meeting on Friday, 5 October 2007, at 10 a.m. in Conference Room 3, to consider its proposed programme of work. The status of preparedness of documentation for the Fifth Committee during the sixty-second session of the General Assembly will be issued as document A/C.5/62/L.1.

Delegations that have not done so are kindly reminded to submit the names of their representatives, alternates and advisers to the Secretary of the Fifth Committee, Mr. Movses Abelian (room S-2633A; fax 1 (212) 963-0360).

Information on the work of the Fifth Committee during the sixty-second session of the General Assembly, including the tentative and provisional programme of work, is available at <www.un.org/ga/fifth>.

Informal briefings

Informal briefings (closed) will be held as follows:

Friday, 5 October 2007, immediately following the organizational meeting of the Fifth Committee, in Conference Room 3:

Reform and management of the United Nations (by Ms. Alicia Bárcena, Under Secretary-General for Management)

Monday, 8 October 2007, at 3 p.m. in Conference Room 3:

Administration of justice (by Ms. Alicia Bárcena, Under-Secretary-General for Management); and

Budgeting in the United Nations (by Mr. Warren Sach, Assistant Secretary-General, Controller)

Tuesday, 9 October 2007, at 3 p.m. in Conference Room 3:

Enterprise resource planning (ERP)/Information and communication technology (ICT) (by Mr. Choi Soon-hong, Chief Information Technology Officer, Assistant Secretary-General); and

Capital master plan (by Mr. Michael Adlerstein, Executive Director, Assistant Secretary-General, CMP).

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Informal consultations on agenda item 79 (a) (Oceans and the law of the sea)

Open-ended informal consultations on the draft resolution on agenda item 79 (a) (Oceans and the law of the sea) will be held from Monday, 1, to Friday, 5 October 2007, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 3 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room 8.

Informal consultations on agenda item 79 (b) (Oceans and the law of the sea: Sustainable fisheries)

Open-ended informal consultations on the draft resolution on agenda item 79 (b) (Sustainable fisheries, including through the 1995 Agreement for the Implementation of the Provisions of the United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea of 10 December 1982 relating to the Conservation and Management of Straddling Fish Stocks and Highly Migratory Fish Stocks, and related instruments) will be held from Monday, 8, to Thursday, 11 October 2007, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 3 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room 8.

Peacebuilding Commission

Second session

Sierra Leone configuration

An informal meeting (open) of the Sierra Leone configuration of the Peacebuilding Commission will be held on Thursday, 20 September 2007, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. in *Conference Room 5*.

General Assembly

Sixty-second session

General debate (25–28 September, 1–3 October 2007)

The provisional list of speakers (No. 2) for the general debate of the sixty-second regular session of the General Assembly is now available at the General Assembly Affairs Branch (rooms S-2925 and S-2940B). The provisional list of speakers (No. 2) has also been sent by facsimile directly to the Permanent Missions (Office of the Permanent Representative).

Delegations are reminded that, in accordance with the practice at recent sessions of the General Assembly, a voluntary 15-minute time limit should be observed during the general debate. The list of speakers was prepared on the basis of this 15-minute time limit. To help speakers in the general debate respect the time limit, a mechanism will be installed at the rostrum of the General Assembly Hall.

High-level Dialogue on Interreligious and Intercultural Understanding and Cooperation for Peace (4–5 October 2007)

The list of speakers for the plenary meetings of the High-level Dialogue on Interreligious and Intercultural Understanding and Cooperation for Peace is open. Delegations wishing to participate in the plenary meetings are kindly requested to inscribe with the List of Speakers, General Assembly Affairs Branch (room S-2940B; tel. 1 (212) 963-5063; fax 1 (212) 963-3783; or e-mail dizon@un.org).

Delegations are further reminded that statements should not exceed seven minutes each.

Special ceremony

On the occasion of the International Day of Peace, the Secretary-General will ring the Peace Bell, at a ceremony to be held on Friday, 21 September 2007, at 9.30 a.m., in the Japanese Garden in front of the United Nations conference building. The Secretary-General will deliver a message of peace and call to observe a minute of silence on that occasion.

All members of delegations and Secretariat staff are invited to attend the ceremony and are expected to gather at the site fifteen minutes prior to the event.

Other forthcoming meetings

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UNITAR briefings for new delegates to the General Assembly

General briefing on the work of the sixty-second session of the General Assembly

Thursday, 20 September 2007, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 3 to 6 p.m. in the Economic and Social Council Chamber;

Special briefing on the work of the Second Committee

Friday, 21 September 2007, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Conference Room 3;

Special briefing on the work of the Third Committee

Friday, 21 September 2007, from 3 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room 3; and

Special briefing on the work of the Fifth Committee

Tuesday, 25 September 2007, from 3 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room C.

Group of the Least Developed Countries (on the preparations for the LDC Ministerial Meeting)

Thursday, 20 September 2007, from 1.15 to 4 p.m. in Conference Room 9.

Group of the Least Developed Countries (at the ambassadorial level) (address by the High Representative for the LDCs, LLDCs and SIDs; preparations for the LDC Ministerial Meeting; and other matters)

Friday, 21 September 2007, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Conference Room 7.

Group of the Least Developed Countries (LDC Ministerial Meeting) (report on the election of the Coordinating Bureau; implementation of the Brussels Programme of Action — The way forward; and other matters)

Wednesday, 26 September 2007, from 3 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room 4.

OIC Group (at the ambassadorial level) (on the draft Final Communiqué of the Annual Coordination Meeting of Ministers for Foreign Affairs of the States members of the OIC)

Thursday, 20 September 2007, from 3 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room 4.

Western European and Other States Group (monthly meeting)

Thursday, 20 September 2007, from 3 to 4 p.m. in Conference Room 8.

Group of Latin American and Caribbean States

Thursday, 20 September 2007, from 4 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room 7.

Asian Group

Friday, 21 September 2007, from 3 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room 2.

ASEAN Ministerial Meeting (informal meeting)

Thursday, 27 September 2007, from 9.30 a.m. to 12 noon in Conference Room 8.

Group of 77 (presentation by a coalition of NGOs, led by a Greenpeace representative, on "The state of oceans and its impact on developing countries")

Wednesday, 3 October 2007, from 1.15 to 2.45 p.m. in Conference Room 6.

Forthcoming other activities

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High-level briefing on "The *Connect Africa* Summit" (organized by the Global Alliance for ICT and Development (GAID), Department of Economic and Social Affairs)

Thursday, 20 September 2007, from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Conference Room 8.

[All are invited to attend. For further information, you can contact Ms. Enrica Murmura, DESA (tel. 1 (212) 963-5913; e-mail murmura@un.org).]

Expert group meeting on the use of non-renewable resource revenues for sustainable local development — Challenges and opportunities for developing countries (organized by the Division for Sustainable Development, Department of Economic and Social Affairs)

Friday, 21 September 2007, from 10 a.m. to 12.30 p.m. and from 1.30 to 5 p.m. in Conference Room 7.

[All are invited to attend. For further information, please visit the following Web site : <www.un.org/esa/sustdev/sdissues/institutional_arrangements/egm2007/index.htm>.]

Panel discussion on "Global health in focus", on the occasion of the sixty-second session of the General Assembly (organized by the Permanent Observer Mission of the Holy See)

Tuesday, 25 September 2007, from 1.15 to 2.45 p.m., at the Holy Family Hall (315 East 47th Street).

[All are invited to attend. For further information, please contact the Permanent Observer Mission of the Holy See (tel. 1 (212) 370-7885).]

Briefing on the ongoing preparations for the twelfth session of the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development, scheduled to be held in Ghana (20–25 April 2008) (organized by the Permanent Mission of Ghana and the UNCTAD secretariat)

Wednesday, 26 September 2007, from 1.15 to 2.30 p.m. in Conference Room 6.

[All are invited to attend. For further information, please contact Mr. Karma Tenzing, New York Office of UNCTAD (tel. 1 (212) 963-6896).]

Special event on the theme "A safe city is a just city", in observance of World Habitat Day 2007 (organized by the United Nations Human Settlements Programme (UN-Habitat))

Monday, 1 October 2007, from 9.30 a.m. to 1 p.m. in the Dag Hammarskjöld Library Auditorium.

[All are invited to attend. For further information, please visit the following Web sites: <www.worldhabitatday2007.org/> and <www.unhabitat.org>.]

Forthcoming meetings held away from Headquarters

Security Council

Security Council Committee established pursuant to resolution 1373 (2001) concerning counter-terrorism
Fifth special meeting
United Nations Office at Nairobi

The Security Council Committee established pursuant to resolution 1373 (2001) concerning counter-terrorism will hold its fifth special meeting with international, regional and subregional organizations, on the theme "Prevention of terrorist movement and effective border security", from 29 to 31 October 2007, at the Conference Centre of the United Nations Office at Nairobi (UNON). Member States are invited to participate in the meeting as observers and to use the registration form on the Web site of the Committee. For more information about the meeting, please visit <www.un.org/sc/ctc>.

Economic and Social Council

Committee of Experts on International Cooperation in Tax Matters
Third session
United Nations Office at Geneva

The third session of the Committee of Experts on International Cooperation in Tax Matters will take place from 29 October to 2 November 2007, in Conference room XIX at the Palais des Nations, Geneva.

Delegations are kindly requested to submit the names of observers to the Financing for Development Office, DESA (fax 1 (212) 963-0443; e-mail ffdoffice@un.org). For further information, please contact Mr. Michael Lennard (tel. 1 (917) 367-5734; e-mail lennard@un.org); or Mr. Masa Ohyama (tel. 1 (212) 963-4695; e-mail ohyama@un.org).

Announcements

Bilateral contacts on the draft comprehensive convention on international terrorism

The Coordinator on the draft comprehensive convention on international terrorism, Ms. Maria Telalian (Greece), invites interested delegations for bilateral contacts, on Friday, 21 September 2007, from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Conference Room E.

In order to facilitate the scheduling of their appointments, interested delegations should contact Ms. Maria Telalian (tel. 1 (212) 479-1329).

General Assembly

List of candidates

Delegations are kindly reminded that the list of candidates (an informal working paper) for the sixty-second session of the General Assembly and other information on elections and candidatures are available on CandiWeb at the following address: <https://secln069.un.org/candiweb>. Instructions to access the Web page can be obtained by calling 1 (212) 963-2337 or via e-mail to santomauro@un.org.

Credentials of representatives to the sixty-second session of the General Assembly

Delegations are reminded that credentials should be issued for all representatives to the sixty-second regular session of the General Assembly, in accordance with rule 27 of the rules of procedure of the General Assembly. Credentials should be sent to the secretariat of the Credentials Committee (room S-3420F or S-3420S; tel. 1 (212) 963-5358 or 963-5377).

Security Council

Web site of the presidency

The Web site of the presidency of the Security Council can be visited at <www.un.org/sc/presidency.html>.

Recorded information

Recorded information about previously unscheduled meetings and consultations of the whole of the Security Council may be obtained by calling 1 (212) 963-8530, or by clicking on "Daily Programme" on the Web site of the Security Council (<www.un.org/Docs/sc>).

Prepared statements

Speakers in the Security Council are advised that providing in advance copies of prepared statements which they intend to read out in the Council greatly facilitates the work of the Secretariat by permitting a sufficient number of copies to be distributed to all meeting participants and by assisting interpreters, verbatim reporters and press officers in maintaining the quality of the product delivered. Both interpretations and verbatim records rely upon the statement actually delivered, but copies of texts help interpreters to correctly render details and nuances and help verbatim reporters to produce the written record more quickly. Speakers are therefore encouraged, whenever possible, to provide copies of their statements, as early as possible in advance of delivery, to the Conference Officer in the Chamber.

Delegations are kindly requested to make 40 copies for minimum distribution to Council members and relevant services, and 200 additional copies for general distribution in the Security Council Chamber.

Delegations wishing to make statements available for the media are kindly requested to deliver 50 copies to the Media Documents Centre (room S-394).

Summary of official meetings

Monday, 17 September 2007

General Assembly

Sixty-first session

109th plenary meeting

Tribute to the memory of His Excellency Sir John Compton, Prime Minister of Saint Lucia

The General Assembly observed a minute of silence.

Statements were made by the representatives of the Philippines (on behalf of the Asian States), Montenegro (on behalf of the Eastern European States), Paraguay (on behalf of the Latin American and Caribbean States), Switzerland (on behalf of the Western European States and other States), the United States (as host country), Saint Lucia and Zimbabwe (on behalf of the African States).

Question of equitable representation on and increase in the membership of the Security Council and related matters [111]

(a) Report of the Open-ended Working Group on the question of equitable representation on and increase in the membership of the Security Council and others matters related to the Security Council (A/61/47)

(b) Draft resolution (A/61/L.69/Rev.1)

The General Assembly decided to adopt the draft decision contained in paragraph 21 of the report of the Open-ended Working Group on the Question of Equitable Representation on and Increase in the Membership of the Security Council and Other Matters related to the Security Council.

The President informed that no action would be taken on draft resolution A/61/L.69/Rev.1.

Statements were made by the representatives of South Africa, Japan, Brazil, India, France, Pakistan, Germany, the United Kingdom and Italy.

The General Assembly decided to conclude its consideration of agenda item 111.

Follow-up to the outcome of the Millennium Summit [113]

The General Assembly decided to continue consultations on the system-wide coherence at its sixty-second session.

The General Assembly further decided to continue consultations on mandate review at its sixty-second session and on how to move the issue forward.

The General Assembly thus concluded its consideration of agenda item 113.

Cooperation between the United Nations and regional and other organizations [108]

(a) Cooperation between the United Nations and the African Union: draft resolution (A/61/L.70)

(h) Cooperation between the United Nations and the Economic Community of Central African States

(l) Cooperation between the United Nations and the Latin American Economic System

(o) Cooperation between the United Nations and the Organization for Security and Cooperation in Europe

(p) Cooperation between the United Nations and the Organization of American States

The representative of Zimbabwe made a statement, in the course of which he introduced draft resolution A/61/L.70.

Statements in explanation of vote before the vote were made by the representatives of Japan and the United States.

The representative of the Secretariat made a statement.

The General Assembly decided to adopt draft resolution A/61/L.70 (resolution 61/296).

The President recalled that, pursuant to resolution 55/285 of 7 September 2001, agenda item 108 and its sub-items should be biennialized and appear on the agenda of the General Assembly at odd-number sessions. Accordingly, sub-items (h), (l), (o) and (p) of the agenda item would be included in the provisional agenda of the sixty-third session of the General Assembly.

The General Assembly decided to conclude its consideration of sub-items (a), (h), (l), (o) and (p) of agenda item 108 and of agenda item 108 as a whole.

The role of the United Nations in promoting a new global human order: draft decision (A/61/L.71) . . . . . [45]

The General Assembly decided to adopt draft decision A/61/L.71.

The General Assembly thus concluded its consideration of agenda item 45.

The situation in the occupied territories of Azerbaijan . . . . . [17]

Protracted conflicts in the GUAM area and their implications for international peace, security and development . . . . . [27]

The representative of Armenia made a statement.

The General Assembly decided to defer consideration of agenda items 17 and 27 and to include them in the draft agenda of its sixty-second session.

The General Assembly thus concluded its consideration of agenda items 17 and 27.

The situation in Central America: progress in fashioning a region of peace, freedom, democracy and development . . . . . [12]

Question of Cyprus . . . . . [19]

Armed aggression against the Democratic Republic of the Congo . . . . . [20]

Question of the Falkland Islands (Malvinas) . . . . . [21]

The situation of democracy and human rights in Haiti . . . . . [22]

Armed Israeli aggression against the Iraqi nuclear installations and its grave consequences for the established international system concerning the peaceful uses of nuclear energy, the non-proliferation of nuclear weapons and international peace and security . . . . . [23]

Consequences of the Iraqi occupation of and aggression against Kuwait . . . . . [24]

Declaration of the Assembly of Heads of State and Government of the Organization of African Unity on the aerial and naval military attack against the Socialist People's Libyan Arab Jamahiriya by the present United States Administration in April 1986 [25]

The General Assembly decided to include agenda item 12, in accordance with its decision 60/508 of 31 October 2005, and agenda items 19 to 25, in accordance with paragraph 4 (b) of the annex to its resolution 58/316 of 1 July 2004, in the draft agenda of the sixty-second session.

Improving the financial situation of the United Nations . . . . . [119]

The General Assembly decided to defer consideration of agenda item 119 and to include it in the draft agenda of the sixty-second session.

The General Assembly thus concluded its consideration of the agenda item 119.

Financing of the United Nations Mission in East Timor . . . . . [137]

The Assembly decided to defer consideration of agenda item 137 and to include it in the draft agenda of the sixty-second session.

The General Assembly thus concluded its consideration of the agenda item 137.

Follow-up to the recommendations on administrative management and internal oversight of the Independent Inquiry Committee into the United Nations Oil-for-Food Programme . . . . . [154]

The representative of Costa Rica made a statement.

The Assembly decided to defer consideration of agenda item 154 and to include it in the draft agenda of the sixty-second session.

The General Assembly thus concluded its consideration of agenda item 154.

The President reminded the Assembly that the following agenda items, on which action had been taken by the General Assembly at previous meetings, still remained open during the sixty-first session of the Assembly: items 13, 14, 32, 42, 44, 47, 52, 63 (b), 90, 100, 105 (a), 106 (h), 107, 112, 115 to 118, 120 to 136, 138 to 147, 149 and 151.

The President recalled that these items had been included in the draft agenda of the sixty-second session of the General Assembly, with the exception of agenda items 120, 126 and 131.

The Assembly decided to conclude its consideration of these items at the sixty-first session.

The President of the General Assembly made a statement.

The General Assembly observed a minute of silence.

Closure of the sixty-first session of the General Assembly

The President declared closed the sixty-first session of the General Assembly.

Tuesday, 18 September 2007

General Assembly

Sixty-second session

1st plenary meeting

Opening of the session by the President of the General Assembly

The President, H.E. Mr. Srgjan Kerim (The former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia), declared the sixty-second session opened.

Minute of silent prayer or meditation

The General Assembly observed one minute of silent prayer or meditation.

Statement by the President of the General Assembly

The President made a statement.

Scale of assessments for the apportionment of the expenses of the United Nations (Article 19 of the Charter) (A/62/324)

The General Assembly took note of the letter from the Secretary-General (A/62/324) concerning 7 Member States which were in arrears in the payment of their financial contributions to the United Nations within the term of Article 19 of the Charter.

Appointment of the members of the Credentials Committee

The General Assembly decided to appoint the following States as members of the Credentials Committee: Angola, Chile, China, Namibia, Russian Federation, Singapore, Suriname, Switzerland and United States of America.

Organization of work of the sixty-second session of the General Assembly: letter from the Chairman of the Committee on Conferences (A/62/338)

The General Assembly took note of document A/62/338 containing a letter dated 13 September 2007 from the Chairman of the Committee on Conferences addressed to the President of the General Assembly.

The General Assembly decided to authorize the following subsidiary organs of the Assembly listed in the letter of the Chairman of the Committee on Conferences, to meet during the main part of the sixty-second session of the General Assembly: Committee on the Exercise of the Inalienable Rights of the Palestinian People; Committee on Relations with the Host Country; Working Group on the Financing of the United Nations Relief and Works Agency for Palestine Refugees in the Near East (UNRWA); United Nations Disarmament Commission; Special Committee to Investigate Israeli Practices Affecting the Human Rights of the Palestinian People and Other Arabs of the Occupied Territories; Administrative Tribunal; Executive Board of the United Nations International Research and Training Institute for the Advancement of Women (INSTRAW); and Special Committee on the Situation with Regard to the Implementation of the Declaration on the Granting of Independence to Colonial Countries and Peoples.

Signatures, Ratifications, etc.

[Multilateral Treaties Deposited with the Secretary-General]

Vienna Convention on Diplomatic Relations. Vienna, 18 April 1961

Accession: Maldives (17 September 2007)[1]

International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights. New York, 16 December 1966

Notification under article 4 (3): Peru (13 September 2007)[1]

Objection to the reservation lodged by Bahrain following its accession to the Covenant: Australia (18 September 2007)[1]

Objection to the reservation lodged by Bahrain following its accession to the Covenant: Canada (18 September 2007)[1]

Objection to the reservations made by Maldives upon accession: Australia (18 September 2007)[1]

Objection to the reservations made by Maldives upon accession: Austria (18 September 2007)[1]

[1] Date of receipt of the relevant documents.

Objection to the reservations made by Maldives upon accession: Canada (18 September 2007)[1]

Objection to the reservations made by Maldives upon accession: Spain (17 September 2007)[1]

Objection to the reservations made by Maldives upon accession: Sweden (18 September 2007)[1]

WHO Framework Convention on Tobacco Control. Geneva, 21 May 2003

Ratification: Gambia (18 September 2007)[1]

Intergovernmental Agreement on the Trans-Asian Railway Network. Jakarta, 12 April 2006

Ratification: India (13 September 2007)[1]

Treaty event

Multilateral Treaty Framework: An Invitation to Universal Participation

Focus 2007: Towards Universal Participation and Implementation — A Comprehensive Legal Framework for Peace, Development and Human Rights

United Nations Headquarters, New York (25-27 September and 1-2 October 2007)

The Treaty Event will be held from 25 to 27 September and on 1 and 2 October 2007, at United Nations Headquarters, to coincide with the general debate of the sixty-second session of the General Assembly. Consistent with the Organization's objective of consolidating and advancing the international rule of law, this year's theme, "Towards Universal Participation and Implementation — A Comprehensive Legal Framework for Peace, Development and Human Rights", will assist in focusing attention on the important goal of moving towards universal participation and implementation and will target those areas directly affecting human beings, their security, environment, development and human dignity.

States intending to sign or deposit instruments relating to multilateral treaties deposited with the Secretary-General may wish to inform their Governments accordingly for the purpose of completing the requisite domestic procedures.

The list of treaties being highlighted during Focus 2007 has been circulated by Depositary Notification C.N.821.2007, dated 20 August 2007. As is customary, it will be possible to undertake treaty actions with regard to any treaty deposited with the Secretary-General, during the Treaty Event.

The publication Multilateral Treaty Framework: An Invitation to Universal Participation — Focus 2007: Towards Universal Participation and Implementation — A Comprehensive Legal Framework for Peace, Development and Human Rights has been compiled and circulated to all Permanent Missions in New York. This publication contains summaries of key provisions, relevant final clauses and status of the treaties being highlighted at Focus 2007.

[1] Date of receipt of the relevant documents.

Further information concerning the Focus 2007 Treaty Event is available on the United Nations Treaty Collection Web site (<http://untreaty.un.org>) and at the Treaty Section, Office of Legal Affairs (contact: Ms. Sherry Holbrook; or Mr. Bradford Smith (tel. 1 (212) 963-5047)).

Information concerning the requirements for full powers and the deposit of instruments of ratification, acceptance, approval or accession (including model instruments) can be found in the *Treaty Handbook*, which is also available in the United Nations Treaty Collection Web site.

General information

Chairmen of regional groups

The following information regarding the chairmanship of the regional groups for the month of *September 2007* has been communicated to the Secretariat:

African States:
Zimbabwe
H.E. Mr. Boniface Chidyausiku

Asian States:
Philippines
H.E. Mr. Hilario Davide Jr.

Eastern European States:
Montenegro
H.E. Mr. Nebojša Kaludjerović

Latin American and Caribbean States:
Paraguay
H.E. Mr. Juan Alfredo Buffa

Western European and other States:
Switzerland
H.E. Mr. Peter Maurer

Daily list of documents issued at Headquarters

With the exception of sales publications and public information material, hyperlinked official documents listed hereunder may be accessed through the Official Document System of the United Nations in the electronic version of the present Journal. The list contains documents issued by 2 p.m. on Tuesday, 18 September 2007.

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	Sixty-second session
A/62/1	Report of the Secretary-General on the work of the Organization — Supplement No.1 [A C E F R S]
General Assembly	**Documents**
	Sixty-first session
A/61/1046	Item 27 — Protracted conflicts in the GUAM area and their implications for international peace, security and development — Letter dated 11 September 2007 from the Chargé d'affaires a.i. of the Permanent Mission of Georgia to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General [A C E F R S]
A/61/L.66/Add.1	Item 15 — Zone of peace and cooperation of the South Atlantic — Angola, Argentina, Bahrain, Belgium, Benin, Bolivia, Botswana, Brazil, Burkina Faso, Cameroon, Canada, Cape Verde, Congo, Côte d'Ivoire, Democratic Republic of the Congo, Denmark, Ecuador, Ethiopia, France, Ghana, Guinea, Ireland, Italy, Lesotho, Libyan Arab Jamahiriya, Malawi, Mali, Mauritania, Nigeria, Pakistan, Philippines, Portugal, Rwanda, Senegal, Sierra Leone, South Africa, Spain, Uganda, Uruguay, Zambia, Zimbabwe: draft resolution — Equatorial Guinea, Gabon, Honduras, Liberia, Namibia, Nepal and Timor-Leste [A C E F R S]
A/61/L.67/Add.1	Item 68 — Report of the Human Rights Council — Belgium, Bolivia, Costa Rica, Cuba, Denmark, Dominican Republic, Ecuador, Estonia, Finland, Germany, Greece, Guatemala, Hungary, Latvia, Nicaragua, Peru, Portugal, Slovenia and Spain: draft resolution — United Nations Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples — Andorra, Armenia, Austria, Croatia, Cyprus, Fiji, France, Honduras, Italy, Lithuania, Luxembourg, Malta, Nauru, Panama, Serbia, South Africa, Switzerland, the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia and Timor-Leste [A C E F R S]
	Sixty-second session
A/62/6 (Introduction)/Corr.1	Proposed programme budget for the biennium 2008-2009 — Foreword and introduction [A C E F R S]
A/62/121/Add.1	Item 88 of the provisional agenda — The rule of law at the national and international levels: comments and information received from Governments — Report of the Secretary-General [A C E F R S]

General Committee

A/BUR/62/1 Organization of the sixty-second regular session of the General Assembly, adoption of the agenda and allocation of items — Memorandum by the Secretary-General [A C E F R S]

Committee on Relations with the Host Country

A/AC.154/384 Letter dated 7 September 2007 from the Minister Counsellor for Host Country Affairs of the United States Mission to the United Nations addressed to the Chairman of the Committee on Relations with the Host Country [A C E F R S]

Security Council **Documents**

S/2007/545 Report of the Secretary-General concerning the credentials of the representative of Indonesia on the Security Council [A C E F R S]

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